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IN RE APPLICATION OF: DONALD E. MOSING, *ET AL.*

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FOR: *"IMPROVED METHOD AND MULTI-PURPOSE APPARATUS FOR
DISPENSING AND CIRCULATING FLUID IN WELLBORE CASING"*

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION, INCLUDING CLAIMS
FROM U.S. PATENT NO. 6,173,777 FOR PURPOSES OF PROVOKING
INTERFERENCE UNDER 37CFR 1.607 AND MPEP §2307**

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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please enter the following priority data as the first sentence of the application:

--This application is a continuation of co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/837,447 to the same inventors, filed April 17, 2001 which is a continuation of U.S. Patent No. 6,279,654, filed December 8, 1998, and issued August 28, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent No. 5,918,673, filed May 2, 1997, and issued July 6, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Pat. No. 5,735,348, filed Oct. 4, 1996, and issued Apr. 7, 1998.--